

## HALL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING JUNE 17, 2003

The Hall County Board of Supervisors met June 20, 2003, by published call in the county board meeting room, 121 South Pine, Grand Island.

CALL TO ORDER- The meeting was called to order Chairman Pamela Lancaster

INVOCATION - Invocation was given by Rev. Bremer with Grace Lutheran Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison

ROLL CALL – Present on roll call were Scott Arnold, Jim Eriksen, Bob Humiston, Bud Jeffries, Pamela Lancaster and Robert Rye. Hartman was absent. Also present were County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz and news media representatives from the *Grand Island Independent* and KRGI.

CONSENT AGENDA – Arnold made a motion and Jeffries seconded to approve the following by consent agenda –

1. Accept and place on file the minutes of the June 3 meeting
  2. 13 Approve Resolution #03-0039 for the withdrawal of collateral for Five Points Bank in the amount of \$300,000.00
  3. 15 Approve the final plat for Gen 2 Gen Subdivision
  4. 23 Accept and place on file the office report from Emergency Management, Register of Deeds, County Sheriff, Hall & Howard County Juvenile Services, County Court and County Clerk
  5. 24 Accept and place on file the Hall County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts
  6. 25 Accept and place on file communications as received
- Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried. Hartman was absent.

### OFFICE REPORT HALL COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES MAY 2003

JUVENILE REFERRALS	55 JUVENILES
JUVENILE OFFENDERS	2 JUVENILE
JUVENILE HOUSE ARREST	2 JUVENILES
TOTAL UNDER SUPERVISION	236 JUVENILES
FEES COLLECTED	\$874.00

### OFFICE REPORT HOWARD COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES MAY 2003

JUVENILE REFERRALS	4 JUVENILES
TOTAL JUVENILE ENROLLEES	26 JUVENILES
FEES COLLECTED FOR MONTH	\$900.00
TOTAL FEES COLLECTED FISCAL YEAR	\$ 2,825.00

OFFICE REPORT  
COUNTY COURT  
MAY 2003

FINES (CO.)	\$53,020.76
OVERLOAD FINES	1,175.00
REIMBURSE SHERIFF FEES	2,561.68
WORK RELEASE FEES	747.50
REIMBURSE FAX COPIES	43.00
FINES (CITY)	10,126.00
REIMBURSE WITNESS FEES	301.06
BOND FORFEITURES	3,249.60
REIMBURSE CO. FEES	
TOTAL	\$ 71,224.60

OFFICE REPORT  
REGISTER OF DEEDS  
DECEMBER 2002

DOCUMENTARY STAMP FEES	\$ 6,460.43
RECORDING FEES	32,564.00
PHOTO FEES	793.80

OFFICE REPORT  
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF  
APRIL, 2003

FEES MILEAGE & MISC.	\$16,019.59
COPIES	67.00
HANDGUN APPLICATIONS	25.00
TITLE INSPECTIONS	2,830.00

OFFICE REPORT  
HALL COUNTY CLERK  
MAY 2003

TITLE FEES STATE	\$17,685.25
TITLE FEES COUNTY	\$ 9,317.75
RECORDING FEES	\$ 80.00
MARRIAGE LICENSES	\$ 555.00
PHOTO, FAX & MISC	\$ 27.70
CERTIFIED MARRIAGE LICENSES	\$ 130.00
ADDITIONAL FEES	\$ 160.00
TOTAL	\$27,955.70

Richard Hartman arrived at the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

COUNTY ATTORNEY a, CONSIDER & APPROVE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A BUILDING AND LAND RESERVE FUND – County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz stated that the audit committee met to review the equipment improvement reserve transfers and approve them. The normal process for the equipment and improvement reserve funds it that after a period of five years, and the money has not been used, it has to be returned to the general funds. For fixed assets and real estate improvements it would be more efficient to hold these for a longer period of time because they could be on going or long term projects. After discussion the audit committee recommended to create the building and land reserve fund. This resolution will establish the fund before the end of the fiscal year and they can come back later to adopt rules how it will be used. Lancaster stated that the committee felt this would provide better planning for larger capital improvements. Arnold made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve Resolution #03-0040 establishing a building and land improvement reserve fund. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION #03-\_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A BUILDING AND LAND IMPROVEMENT RESERVE FUND**

BE IT RESOLVED that a separate county fund entitled “Building and Land Improvement Reserve Fund” be hereby established. The purpose of said fund shall be for the provision of a reserve fund for anticipated and unanticipated expenditures associated with the ownership of land and building capital assets including, but not limited to, maintenance, repairs, replacements, improvements, and development. Credits to and expenditures from said fund shall be subject to such resolutions and rules as may be subsequently adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Hall County.

Resolution moved by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_.

Seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_.

Vote:

Supervisor Arnold:	For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.
Supervisor Eriksen:	For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.
Supervisor Hartman:	For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.
Supervisor Humiston:	For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.
Supervisor Jeffries:	For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.
Supervisor Lancaster:	For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.
Supervisor Rye:	For ____; Against ____; Abstained ____; Not Present ____.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF JUNE, 2003.

HALL COUNTY BOARD OF  
SUPERVISORS

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Pamela Lancaster, Chairman of the Board  
of Supervisors

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Marla J. Conley, Hall County Clerk

Prepared by:  
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Hall County Attorney

2b CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION REGARDING AMBULANCE AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF GRAND ISLAND – County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz stated that Supervisors Jeffries and Rye met with Dave Springer from the City regarding the continuation of the agreement and they are confident that with further negotiations they will be able to reach an agreement. They committee made some proposals and they are waiting to hear back from the city. Janulewicz stated that there is no action necessary at this time.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Chairman Lancaster called for public participation and no one responded.

SHERIFF WATSON PRESENTATION – Hall County Sheriff Jerry Watson, drug dog Ringo and handler Bryan Simonson were present. Sheriff Watson stated that Ringo will be retiring. He has served Hall County since 1995, a total of 8 years and 4 months, in people years that would be 60 years of service. He has been detailed out over 500 times assisting many agencies, he has recovered \$93,000.00 in drug money, assisted in arrests on 17 drug cases and has actually caught eight burglars. He presented a sack of chew toys for Ringo including a “stuffed burglar” and presented Mr. Simonson with a plaque with Ringo’s picture in appreciation of his 8 years of service to Hall County. Sheriff Watson stated that tools like Ringo are valuable to law enforcement.

6 SHERIFF WATSON DISCUSS AND APPROVE LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTRACTS –Supervisor Jeffries stated that after the 2002-2003 budget year the board wanted to address the law enforcement contracts within the county. The Criminal justice committee met with all the villages and negotiated new contracts. By state statute the communities must request additional services from the county board. They still receive service but these are guaranteed service hours. The committee met with all of the communities and negotiated new contracts. These contracts will all come due at the same time and they will all be charged \$23.00 an hour for service. Cairo and Alda have decided to decrease the number of service hours. Sheriff Watson distributed information on the proposed contracts. During the negotiation process the communities were

allowed credit for letting the county install media receivers on their water towers. There will be a decrease of 12% in the total number of hours of service and an increase of 16% in the revenue for the contracts. Sheriff Watson stated that County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz reviewed the contracts and all of the city attorney's from the villages have approved the contracts.

Jeffries made a motion and Eriksen seconded to approve the Cairo law enforcement contract for 600 hours with the total amount of \$12,930.00. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Jeffries made a motion and Eriksen seconded to approve the Alda law enforcement contract for 900 hours with a total amount of \$20,700.00.

Hartman requested discussion. He questioned the number of papers that are served in Grand Island and if the county patrols in Grand Island. Sheriff Watson stated that they are required by state statute to deliver paper and they do not patrol the city streets. He stated that of the 3,200 traffic citations Hall County only issued 103 and they will assist any agency that requests assistance. Eriksen stated that the communities were comfortable with the contracts and they already approved them.

The vote was taken on the motion to approve the Alda law enforcement contract. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Jeffries made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve the Doniphan law enforcement contract for 1044 hours with the total amount of \$22,512.00. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Jeffries made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve the Wood River law enforcement contract for 1920 hours with the total amount of \$42,660.00. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

7 HALL COUNTY COMPUTER SYSTEM UPDATES – Will Bennett with ABACUS and Dave Arnold were present to go over the county and interlocal projects. Bennett stated that the off site wireless Grand Island Police Department sites include Plum Street Station, Barr Middle School, Grand Island Senior High School, Walnut Middle School, Westridge Middle School, St. Francis Hospital and the Impound Facility,

The Hall County off-site wireless sites include Doniphan, Wood River and the Cairo sub-station, the task force, the Nebraska State Patrol, the Hall County Roads and Building & Grounds.

They currently have 15 turned up cell sites and two more sites are being installed this week. There is 68% countywide coverage as of June 10, 2003. He explained some of the features of the "rover" system. They will be able to dispatch direct to the cruiser, run name searches, have mug shot available have screen reports from the cruiser and they will have full access to NCJIS.

He stated that the with the mobile data wireless project they have 20 GIPD cruisers installed and tested, 14 Hall County cruisers installed and tested, and by August 1, 2003 there will be 85% county wide coverage. The Hall County patrol units started April 1, 2003 and GIPD units will start June 15, 2003.

The total budget was \$784,130.00 and the total expenditures for GIPD was \$144,496.61 and EOC was \$28,051.44. They transferred \$116,500.00 to the equipment improvement reserve fund.

Dave Arnold stated that he has been working on the Central Nebraska Incident Based Computer System program and there is a grant from the crime commission that will be available. This program is with Spillman Technologies and he is requesting approval of this grant and the purchase of the equipment. This will need to be budgeted in the grant budget for next year.

Rye made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve the contract and authorize the chair to sign for the NIVERS contract. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

12 APPROVE SPECIAL DESIGNATED LIQUOR LICENSES FOR BOSSELMANS – These are three special designated liquor licenses for events to be held August 2, August 9, and August 15, 16 and 17. Brandi Bosselman, attorney for Bosselmans Corporation, 3123 West Stolley Park Road, was present to answer question. Jeffries questioned the security company that was hired for the events and Ms. Bosselman stated that she had faxed information to the sheriff's office concerning the security company so they were able to verify it. Arnold made a motion and Eriksen seconded to approve the special designated liquor licenses for August 2, 9 15, 16 and 17 for Bosselmans. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

8 LEE JOHNSON MID AMERICA BENEFITS HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL – Lee Johnson with Mid America Benefits was present and distributed information to the board members for the annual renewal of the health insurance policy. He took bids for the renewal and distributed information for the renewal from the current carrier and the bid from Ace American Insurance Company. The plan has a \$60,000.00 specific deductible, and is a 12/15 contract. The aggregate is a 12/12 policy. There are 171 family and 44 single coverage policies.

The fixed cost are the administration fees and the PPO fees. He stated the administration fees were increased 75 cents and some of the increase is due to the new HIPAA regulations and the costs involved. Once the June claims are received they will lock in the numbers but at this time the county has not hit the claims cap.

The dental policy is a stand along policy with a \$2,000.00 cap per person per year. This does not need to be changed.

Mr. Johnson recommended considering increasing the deductible for the health insurance in January. He recommended accepting the bid from ACE American Insurance Company.

Discussion was held on the primary and secondary insurance and how the deductible has to be met. Jeffries also questioned why it was taking so long to pay some of the claims. Mr. Johnson stated that the PPO carrier Midlands Choice lost their computer system in July of last year and the claims were sent to a clearing house in Texas so there was some slow response processing the claims.

Hartman stated that the insurance committee met and reviewed the information and recommended approving the new contract with the 15% increase.

Discussion was held on increasing the deductible, but that would not affect this contract but it would going forward on future renewals. Arnold stated that if the deductible is raised it may lower the utilization because the users would be responsible. He also stated that the HIPAA regulations only increase costs and the average person does not know what has been changed.

Hartman made a motion and Arnold seconded to approve the contract with ACE American Insurance Company and to keep the deductible the same and authorize the chair to sign the contract. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and one voted no. Motion carried.

**9 DISCUSS AND APPROVE GRANT FUNDING FOR LB640 COUNTY AID FUNDS –** Arnold requested that the Troy Chandler come forward with information concerning LB 640 for county aid funds. This was for a grant that was due June 1. Mr. Chandler completed the grant application and submitted the paperwork along with a copy of comprehensive juvenile plan. This is for a predetermined award that can be used to contract for a Spanish speaking person in his office. This would be a grant position and if the grant goes away the position would be eliminated. There is a 40% match but he will be able to use dollars from the JBIG money as the match. The grant application was signed but they wanted to clarify this with the board. Arnold made a motion and Jeffries seconded to approve the grant for the county aid funds. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

**10 DISCUSS AND APPROVE COMPREHENSIVE JUVENILE PLAN –** Juvenile Services Director Troy Chandler introduced Elizabeth Elliot from the University of Nebraska Omaha. She worked with Dr. Hank Robinson on the Hall and Howard County comprehensive juvenile plan. LB 1167 the Juvenile Services Act required all counties to create and implement a comprehensive juvenile services plan. This plan should guide the communities in addressing the needs of youth and can be used to obtain juvenile grant funding. The Hall and Howard County Plan was completed in June 2003 and will be used until 2006.

Ms Elliot explained that the community team first met in April to set goals for the plan and identify the problems. She stated that the problems were identified as follows:

- Family factors – low family support and involvement & teen pregnancy
- Community factors – substance abuse, limited treatment services and facilities, lack of recreational facilities, low supervision of youth outside school
- School factors – truancy and dropouts, limited Spanish speaking services lack of funding for programs and services poverty, lack of coordination between officials and service providers

The team determined protective factors that could be put to use and determined the gaps and needs for these services. They then addressed the solutions for the

infrastructure and the services that could be offered and determined a time line for addressing the solutions.

Mr. Chandler stated that Howard and Hall County are working together and the funding from both counties has helped with the plan. He stated that even though this plan is with Howard County we can use it and if it has to be changed we will be able to go forward. This plan will allow us to apply for the grants and fund future projects.

Arnold stated he would like to see a system in place to keep the plan current and keep it going, it is a well done plan.

Arnold made a motion and Eriksen seconded to approve the comprehensive juvenile plan and approve the grant funding.

11 EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING PERFORMANCE EVALUATION – Jeffries made a motion and Eriksen seconded to go into executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no . Motion carried.

11:20 a.m. executive session

11:24 a.m. Humiston made a motion and Arnold seconded to go out of executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no . Motion carried.

16 COMMENCE AUDIT OF BI-WEEKLY PAY CLAIMS AND ACTION ON CLAIM AUDIT  
The board reviewed the claims and Jeffries made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve the bi-weekly pay claims and the regular claims and authorize the clerk to pay. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no . Motion carried.

Humiston made a motion and Jeffries seconded to refer the performance evaluation to the personal committee to review with the person. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no . Motion carried.

COUNTY BOARD ASSISTANT'S REPORT – Board Assistant Stacy Ruzicka included the progress report in the packets and reminded the board members of the personal committee meeting after the board meeting and the Stuhr Museum meeting at 3:00 p.m. and the CNCS meeting at 5:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS – Hartman – He attended the audit committee meeting yesterday and the insurance committee meeting.

Humiston – He attended the audit committee meeting and the interlocal computer committee meeting.

Eriksen – He reported that he attended a meeting in Hastings that was sponsored by the South Platte Chamber of Commerce and the Nebraska Department of Economic Development. This meeting addressed establishing regional economic development areas to address certain grants that may be available. They will be having presentations



in the various counties relative to establishing the organization. They will be holding a meeting in Hall County on August 5<sup>th</sup>.

He also reported that the joint budge meeting for the Central District Health Department has been scheduled for June 25, 2003 at 5:30 p.m. This will include the city, counties and health department. Discussion was held on the date for the meeting and Lancaster stated that she would not be able to attend and reminded the board that there will need to be a quorum at the meeting. He stated that Sonja Simpson health department director is on sick leave and will be gone for six months. Shirley Terry has been appointed as the interim director. Hartman questioned what the proposed budget was and Eriksen stated that there is an increase. This will have to be discussed and the county board will approve thid during the budget process.

Rye – He reported that he attended the computer committee meeting and the ambulance committee meeting.

Jeffries – He attended the ambulance committee meeting and a meeting concerning the hike and bike trail.

Arnold – He reported that he attended a conditional use meeting concerning a request for a modular home permit. He stated he did not attend the park committee meeting but Stuhr Museum has concerns on security on the hike and bike trail. He reported that the juvenile committee met and went over the new comprehensive juvenile plan and one of the big concerns is family involvement.

Lancaster – She stated that she attended the computer committee meeting, the juvenile justice committee meeting and a Convention Visitors Bureau meeting.

NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Chairman Lancaster called for new or unfinished business and no one responded.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m. The next meeting will be July 1, 2003 at 9:00 a.m.

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Marla J. Conley Hall County Clerk

REMINDER – THE COUNTY BOARD MEETINGS MAY BE VIEWED ON GITV CABLE CHANNEL 6 AT 8:00 P.M. AND FRIDAY AT 8:00 A.M.